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Senator Patterson Tours Michigan

Technology and Energy Chair Visits Michigan Energy Sources

Lansing, Mich. – While the legislature is enjoying their week off from debating Michigan's budget, state Senator Bruce Patterson (R – Canton; 7th District) is touring two energy related facilities and conducting a town hall meeting in Grayling. Senator Patterson is the Chair of the Technology and Energy Committee and the Vice-Chair of Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

Patterson's visits consist of the following:

Big Rock Point Plant

10268 US 31 North

Charlevoix, MI 49720

Decommissioned nuclear plant; it hasn't been operated since 1997 (it was longest running plant in the U.S.)

Edison Sault Electric Company Hydroelectric Power Plant

725 East Portage Avenue

Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

Quarter mile long horizontal shaft hydro plant (longest in the world)

Au Sable – Mason Tract

Grayling Township Hall

2090 Viking Way

Grayling, MI 49738

Thursday, July 10, 2003

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Senator Patterson will meet with interested stakeholders to discuss the proposed drilling for natural gas and oil near the Mason Tract. Senator Patterson will also visit the site where the drilling is proposed.

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